

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: MUSKULUS, Frank et al.

Art Unit: 1616

Serial No.: 10/522,784

Examiner: Choi, Frank I.

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For: Pharmaceutical Preparation Containing a Benzimidazole Compound Mixed with Microcrystalline

Cellulose and a Method for Its Preparation

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Final Office Action be extended three months from March 31, 2009 to June 30, 2009, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17) is believed to be \$555.00 for a three-month extension for a small entity. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-4336.

Respectfully submitted,

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